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THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

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MARRIAGE.

On the 14th April, at All Saints Parish
Church, Winton, Somerset, England, by the
Rev. G. M. Ashdown, M.A., EDGAR JOHN
PIERCE, Chief Warder, Victoria Gaol,
Hongkong, to ALICE, only daughter of FRED-
ERICK PARKS, of Winton. [630e]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1903.

THE HONGKONG-KOWLOON
BRIDGE.

The apparently indifferent reception
accorded the Hon. Commander Runsey's
proposal, when first published last year, to
build a bridge across the harbour to Kow-
loon, would seem to show that it had been
relegated, like most abortive projects, to
the pigeonhole and forgotten among the
C.S.O.'s in the Colonial archives. We are
glad to see, however, that it is not so. The
proposal once more is urged upon public
attention. It is revived in the report
of the Harbour Department for last year,
and Commander Runsey makes it as his
excuse for bringing the subject up again the
fact that that report would probably be the
last to be issued with him connected with
his authorship. The commercial public not
less than the permanent residents have cause
to commend the Harbour Master for
alluding to the bridge on the eve of
his retirement from a long and hon-
ourable connection with the shipping
interests of the port. It is now well known
upon what grounds Commander Runsey
considers that the time has arrived for plac-
ing Kowloon in direct communication with
Hongkong by other means than the gener-
ally conceded expensive ferry service. The
first of those grounds is the partial relieving
of overcrowding in the city of Victoria, and
the second the conservation of the harbour
area by not reclaiming any further portions
of the sea front to provide the much-needed
land within the city limits whereon to erect
larger accommodation demanded by the busi-
ness interests of the Colony. Both these
are strong reasons why Kowloon must be
looked upon to solve the difficult problem
with which the Executive has been for so
long confronted; the congestion both ashore
and afloat is more keenly felt year by year
with each successive stride the Colony makes
in its onward progress towards greater
and greater prosperity. The advantages
to be derived by means of easier com-
munication between Kowloon and Hong-
kong are so evident that they need no
detailed. The propounder of the scheme
summarizes them in (1) greater and speedier
accessibility between the two points; (2)
ability to carry the telegraph cables and
telephone wires; and (3) the possibility of
using the bridge as an aqueduct in a
supply of water to Hongkong from the
Kowloon range. In this last connection it
may be noted that the gathering areas
capable of supplying the reservoir now in
course of construction under the gravitation
scheme for Kowloon will be able to furnish
a practically unlimited supply of water for
all potable requirements of the Colony
assuming its increase in population in the
future to bear the same ratio with the pro-
gress in the past. The idea of having one
of the finest harbours in the world cut into
halves by the bridge does not seem to com-
mend itself to one of our readers who re-
marked that "in the year 1913" will the
stout liner on her road to Shanghai have
to betake herself from the harbour by the
same road by which she entered owing to
that noble structure—the Hongkong and
Kowloon Bridge. If the long-promised
war occurs about that period it will be
the melancholy duty of the local press
to come out in heavy leaded type, "Destruc-
tion of the Bridge: Isolation of Hongkong."
Interesting as these speculations are he
would have us first consider the question of
payment. Regarding this he is somewhat
sceptical of the success of the undertaking.
At the present time, he says, the promoter
working on the principle of supply creating
demand estimates an increase of 50 per
cent. in the human traffic between the main-
land and Hongkong if such a bridge were
constructed. Taking the cost of the bridge
at the low estimate of \$9,000,000, and the
passenger tolls on the suggested basis of 5
cents and 1 cent for Europeans and Chinese,
respectively, this would give an estimated
income of \$180,000 or 2 per cent. on the
capital involved. And he asks:

Have the capitalists of Hongkong that
goldconda of 10 and 15 per cents. that
they have suddenly developed sufficient
philanthropy to embark their money on a
venture showing an estimated 2 per cent.
with a small increase on account of tolls for
animals, &c.? It requires, in his opinion,
a great stretch of the imagination to think
so. And if not the capitalists, he interro-
gates, why should the Government, not over-
blessed with wealth, spend this large sum of
money in erecting this bridge? We feel
sure if the scheme is taken up at all it can
hardly be said that it will be undertaken in
the spirit of philanthropy. The community
although credited with a magnanimous spirit
of generosity, that has become almost prover-
bial, is a businesslike one, and if they decide
upon the enterprise, would carry it through
like all other commercial ventures initiated
in the Colony with all its attendant risks
and prospective profits. Upon much figuring
and a large amount of reliance on the future
possibilities of the Colony must the realisa-
tion of the project depend. As regards our
future potentialities there is not one, who is
at all conversant with Hongkong, that will
deny the fact that "Hongkong is yet in
its infancy." Nine millions of money is
comparatively not too large an amount
for the speculative resources of the Island.
With sufficient Government encouragement
and a small amount of guarantee of a maxi-
mum interest on the capital invested it is
not beyond the bounds of possibility that
local financiers might be found who would,
upon the basis of the joint stock principle,
launch the enterprise as a limited liability
concern. With the success before us of the
Hongkong bridge connecting Howrah with the
capital of our Indian Empire, we see no valid
reason why the Hongkong-Kowloon bridge
should not be a remunerative undertaking.
With the completion of the Canton-Kowloon
railway—whose commencement cannot re-
main very much longer deferred—Hong-
kong should stand in much the same rela-
tion to Kowloon as Calcutta does to How-
rah on the other side of the Hooghly.
Our correspondent above referred to does
not wish to open the question of the
erection of this bridge on an insecure
foundation which will in all probability, he
imagines, be found to consist of washed
down detritus from the hillsides, as this
difficulty will have to be encountered
whether the bridge is built sooner or later.
The feasibility of the construction does not
enter within the province of the present
discussion. It is the desirability thereof
that has to be thought of. Whether
it be postponed a decade or its com-
mencement considered at an early date
opinions cannot be divided that a better
and speedier communication with our depen-
dency of Kowloon from the Island of Hong-
kong must be established for the spacious
reasons put forth by the originator of the
proposal—the Hon. Com. Murray Runsey.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE English and French Mails of the 25th April
were delivered in London on the 23rd inst.

H.M.S. *Algerine* arrived in port yesterday, and
will leave again on the 1st prox. for Shanghai
via Swatow and Amoy.

LeMunyon will have another grand opening
Day and a Souvenir day as well; watch the date.
—Advt.

THE Automobile Club Committee has an-
nounced that Mr. J. W. Stocks will drive the
third English car in the Gordon-Bennett Cup
race on 2 July. The car will be a Napier of
35 horse-power.

THE case in which W. H. Bell, of Kentucky,
U. S. A., alleged to be wanted by the Ameri-
can Government, came up for hearing before
Mr. J. H. Kemp this afternoon, when it was
dismissed and defendant discharged.

It is telegraphically reported from Moji to a
Japanese paper that troops, belonging to the
12th Army Division, in Kokura and Kitagata,
are engaged in manoeuvres every night, and
that employees in a military establishment at
Moji are working overtime.

At the instance of Mr. J. Callaco, the Inspector
of Junks, the master of a craft was charged
before Mr. J. Kemp this morning with being
in possession of arms without a license from
the Captain Superintendent of Police. He
pleaded guilty and was fined \$15. The arms
consisted of old rifles.

MR. A. LEVEY, the business manager for
Pollard's Lilliputians, will not be leaving
Shanghai with the company. He has accepted
the Secretaryship of the Astor House, a post
for which previous experience as an accountant
in Melbourne and versatility gained in three
years, touring with people so popular as the
Lilliputians should fit him admirably.

It is reported from Peking that under the
advice of Prince Ching the Empress Dowager
has sanctioned the institution of a Finance
Department which is intended to control in the
future the finances of the country. Under the
special control of the new Department will be
the proposed Peking foreign-modelled mint
and the Government Bank which Viceroy Yuan
Shih-k'ai has been urgently recommending the
advisers of the Empress Dowager to sanction
and start without delay.

Don't forget the chits for they will not go
LeMunyon.—Advt.

PRINCE and Princess Rupprecht and Prince
George of Bavaria were to throw off their in-
cognito on the 18th, when they were to be
received at Court in Tokio, and take up their
quarters at the Shiba detached palace as the
Emperor's guests.

THE *Universal Gazette* is informed by its
Peking correspondent that the Board of
Revenue is devising means for obtaining an
amount of ten million taels to be used at the
celebration of the Empress Dowager's birthday
which takes place this year. Four million taels
has so far been obtained from various sources.

H. R. H. PRINCE Benya has returned to Bang-
kok from his tour of inspection in the north.
It is understood that His Royal Highness
expects to leave for Java in a few days, whither
he is going upon a mission to study the systems
of irrigation and agriculture practised in Java,
with a view of considering their adaptability to
Siam.

LORD Kitchener's first tour in India is not
being conducted on the familiar lines which
make peregrinations of high officials in India an
orderly procession from place to place in ac-
cordance with a prearranged and well-advised
itinerary. On the contrary, apparently
no one knows positively at any given time
where and when His Excellency will make his
next halt.

A NATIVE was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp
this morning with unlawfully assuming the
title of a constable at Mongkok, Kowloon,
and also with entering a house with the
intention of committing a larceny. For the
first offence he was fined \$100 or three months,
and got three months for the second without
the option of a fine, the sentences to run con-
currently.

IDENTICAL Bills have been introduced in the
Austrian Parliament and the Hungarian
Reichsrath rendering payment in gold compul-
sory, this being the last step in the ten years
preparations for establishing a gold standard
in Austria-Hungary. The Bills, though meet-
ing with some opposition in both Parliaments,
are sure to be passed, being strongly supported
by commercial men throughout the country.

We shall have a Souvenir Day soon, but you
will have to pay us a personal visit as no chits
will go. LeMunyon.—Advt.

H.E. MAJOR-General Sir William Cascoigne,
K.C.M.G., had an unpleasant experience this
morning. Having made a visit to Messrs. Lane,
Crawford & Co., he was proceeding up Bak-
tery Path in his ricksha, with three coolies,
when the one pushing the vehicle from behind
suddenly dropped and expired. An ambulance
was immediately sent for, and the body re-
moved to the Mortuary where, on examination,
it was found to be a case of plague.

AN European travelling from Germany ap-
peared before Mr. J. H. Kemp this morning
charged with disorderly conduct, smashing of
household property, and causing grievous
bodily harm to a native woman in Praya East
last evening. In the evidence it was stated
that he entered a certain house, and after
arguing, picked up a lighted kerosene lamp
and hurled it at a woman. For the first offence
he was fined \$2, the second \$10, and the
third \$1.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and
officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry
will play the following programme of music at
the King Edward Hotel, during dinner,
to-morrow, Friday, the 29th instant, (weather
permitting).

PROGRAMME.

March "March Roman" (Gounod).
Overture "Zampa" (Hérold).
Selection "Reveries of the Flautist" (Chabrier).
Song "The Everlasting Day" (Beyan).
Solo "San Toy" (Sidney Jones).
Valse "Blue Bell" (Waldteufel).
Dance "From Henry VIII" (Vaudeville).
God Save the King.

WITH regard to the electric tramways at Hong-
kong, *Indian Engineering* says the great dis-
advantage that this undertaking labours under,
as far as public convenience is concerned, is
that its alignment is restricted to those roads
in the vicinity of the harbour face or shore
where alone easy grading for ordinary street
traction can be found. But as the water front
and its neighbourhood is the busiest part of
the city, the prospects of the undertaking finan-
cially are as bright as a concern of this class
could expect. It is intended to have separate
cars for Europeans and natives, which will be
run independently of each other. The lines
will be laid on the 3 feet 6 inch-gauge, and the
overhead arrangements will be neat and un-
objectionable.

THE Grand Council has received lately a num-
ber of telegrams in succession from the Chinese
Imperial Resident at Lhasa, the capital of
Tibet, notifying the Government of the presence
of large numbers of Russians in various parts
of the frontier district of Tibet and asking for
instructions how to deal with them. The
following is one of the latest telegrams in
question, which the *N. C. D. News* translated
as follows:—"One hundred and forty-three
Russians, attired mostly like military engineers,
arrived on the 4th inst., on the eastern frontier
of Tibet, and having set their camp, immediately
set about to divide themselves into separate
parties apparently for the purpose of penetrat-
ing further inland and surveying the country.
It has not yet transpired whether these Russians
intend to make a long stay or not; but they
have already caused great excitement among the
Tibetans in that vicinity, as well as in Lhasa."

Now look out for LeMunyon's new store adv.
It is a beauty.—Advt.

THE following telegram has been sent by the
Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce to
the Director of the International Telegraph
Bureau, Bern:—"Shanghai Chamber Com-
merce protests against compulsory use official
vocabulary in cable telegraphy. Requests this
protest be presented International Conference,
London, 26 May."

"CHINA is a large, leaky, and dilapidated house.
It is extremely regrettable that we, who are
living in this house, cannot do anything to
improve its condition except to cry out loudly
both morning and evening in the hope that the
powers that be may become alive to the critical
situation and take immediate measures to put
matters right before it is too late. Thus waits
the *Sin Wan Pao* of Shanghai."

WHEN H.M.S. *Arcturion* was off Sheerness on
March 9th, during her voyage home from
China, a gallant act was performed by Capt.
Startin. A seaman fell overboard, and Capt.
Startin immediately dived from the vessel and
rescued him. For this Capt. Startin has been
awarded a bronze clasp by the Royal Humane
Society. He already holds the Society's silver
medal, as well as the bronze medal with one
clasp.

THE *Journal* of the United Service Institution
of India contains a short account of walking-
stick defence. It is a clever and ingenious
use of a walking stick, by which anybody—an
elderly man or a lady—can soon learn to offer
most effective resistance to a foot-pad, rough,
or other assailant who is unarmed or armed
only with a stick. The stick used in defence
must be substantial, and without a handle or
crook, and it should be held, not by the end,
but halfway between the end and the middle.
Moreover the stick may be quickly passed
from one hand to the other, and blows delivered
with either the long end or the short end.
There is a method of defending oneself with a
stick practised in America, by which the stick
is held exactly in the middle, and either end
brought against the face of an assailant, with a
dexterity immensely more effective than the
usual way of holding a stick by one end.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The eighteenth annual ordinary general
meeting of shareholders in Messrs. A. S. Wat-
son & Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the
company, Queen's Road Central, at 11 a.m.
to-day. There were present Messrs. Hart
Buck (Chairman), Messrs. J. H. Lewis, R. C.
Wilcox (Consulting Committee), Capt. Clark,
J. R. Michael, E. J. Moses, J. A. Tarrant and
A. H. Mancell (Secretary).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report
and statement of accounts have been in your
hands since the 10th instant, so with your per-
mission I will as usual consider them as read.
The accounts put before you do not, I think,
require much explanation. You will notice
that our stock in trade are practically the same
as last year, also that local and general liabil-
ities have increased \$34,761.04 whilst bills pay-
able have decreased \$56,509.21. The apparent
discrepancy of a mortgage of \$25,000, on the
remaining portion of Kowloon Island Lot No.
350, which property stands in the accounts at
\$19,870.36 is explained by the fact that the
balance of payments to the contractor were not
due until 1903 when they were met. This prop-
erty has been valued at more than \$10,000.
Exchange has naturally lessened our profits
for 1902 and from the same cause our working
expenses are much larger where these are on a
sterling basis, the increase in wages alone
amounting to \$15,000 over the previous year.
I stated at our last annual meeting that it
required much care and foresight to keep
our necessary purchases within the buying
power of the business with its existing available
capital, and this condition of affairs becomes
more marked as the expansion of the business
continues, although we do not anticipate that
it will be necessary to ask you for any im-
mediate increase of the existing capital. So far,
the returns this year show a satisfactory
increase over the latter period of last year.
Our new aerated water factory in Des Vaux
Road is now working, and we expect that our
annual meeting next year will be held in our
new reclamation premises which are well ad-
vanced. There is no doubt these changes in
premises will prove beneficial to the working
of the business. Messrs. W. Parfitt and R. C.
Wilcox have been invited to join the Consult-
ing Committee, the former gentleman during
the absence of Mr. E. Osborne from the Colony.
These appointments require your confirmation
at this meeting. If any shareholder would like
any further information in connection with the
report and statement of accounts now before
you, I shall be pleased to give it.

Mr. Michael:—Some of the shareholders
have been asking if the accounts could not be
made up a little earlier than five months after
the end of the year.

The Chairman:—We have our returns from
various parts of China to come in, and it is
impossible really to have them made up earlier.

There being no further questions, the Chair-
man proposed, and Mr. J. R. Michael seconded,
the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was put to the meeting and
carried.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Capt. Clark proposed, Mr. E. J. Moses
seconded, and it was agreed, that the appoint-
ment of Messrs. Parfitt and Wilcox to the
Consulting Committee be confirmed.

AUDITORS.

The Chairman is proposing the re-election
of Mr. F. Maitland as auditor, observed that
Mr. W. H. Potts would be invited to assist Mr.
Maitland next year.

Mr. J. H. Lewis seconded the motion, which
was unanimously carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business of
the meeting, gentlemen. Thank you for your
attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready
at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

WRECK OF A FRENCH TRADER

NEA & HONGKONG.

Information was received in the Colony to-
day to the effect that the French trader *Toul-
Damer* has been wrecked, a total wreck not many
miles from Hong Kong. The vessel cleared on
the 26th instant, bound for Kwong-chau-wan
with a general cargo, and left yesterday morn-
ing. All appears to have gone well until
passing the middle of a channel between Pak
Leah and Whi Le Rocks, Ladrone Islands, when
it is thought she struck a submerged wreck.
This channel is marked on the Admiralty chart
as "channel not recommended," although it is
frequently used by mariners. Immediately the
vessel struck, most of the native passengers are
said to have gone to one side of the ship thus
contributing to her heeling over and sinking.
She is a wooden ship, owned by Me. Mrs.
Lemaire a cad Company of this Colony, and
was in command of Captain Hileux. Her
registered tonnage was 332 tons, and she
carried a crew of thirty-two men. Formerly
the vessel plied between Kwong-chau-wan,
West River ports and Macao, and latterly
changed her run by omitting to call at Macao,
and the West River ports, and substituting
Canton and Hongkong. We understand that
on the receipt of the news regarding the loss
of the vessel, the owners closed with an engi-
neering firm, who has since sent down ex-
perienced men to view the wreck and report
as to the expediency of raising her.

DOUGLAS S.S. "FORMOSA."

SOLD FOR £10,000.

We understand the Douglas Steamship Com-
pany's steamer *Formosa*, which, along with the
s.s. *Haimun*, has been under charter to the
United States Government, has been sold to
the charterers for the sum of £10,000.

MALARIA IN INDIA.

A London correspondent writes to an In-
dian contemporary:—"Dr. Stephens and Dr.
Christophers, who formed a commission ap-
pointed by the Royal Society to investigate
malaria in Africa and India, have, I learn, sent
in the conclusions they have arrived at as the
result of their researches, which extended over
several years. They find that in tropical Africa,
and to a less extent in certain regions of India,
there is a widespread infection among the
native children under fifteen years of age, while
above that age there is a marked immunity.
This infection, the Commissioners state, is the
essential cause of European malaria, so much
so that infection from one European to another,
as was previously supposed to be the case, is
entirely negligible as a factor in infection. The
investigations show that the chief source of
infected anopheles mosquitoes is native huts,
and the Commissioners are of opinion that
segregation offers the most practical and im-
mediately effective means of diminishing the
death roll among Europeans."

THE USUAL LACK OF UNITY.

The *Universal Gazette* states that Governor
Wang Chih-chun memorialized the Throne the
other day that the rebels in the interior and on
the borders had all been pacified, etc., but at
the same time the provincial Treasurer and
Judge of the same province telegraphed to the
neighbouring Governor of Hunan asking the
latter to render assistance by despatching
troops. When the Governor was informed of
the above application by his colleagues he
immediately telegraphed to some Governor in-
forming him that the Kwangsi Treasurer and
Judge had been misled by false rumours there-
fore their report of the present condition of
Kwangsi differed from his own and adding that
the present troops were quite capable of coping
and exterminating the insurgents, therefore, it
was unnecessary for him (the Governor of
Hunan) to send troops to Kwangsi or to
memorialize the Throne about the application
of the Kwangsi Treasurer and Judge.

THE PLAGUE.

During the twenty-four hours ended at noon
to-day 23 further cases of bubonic plague,
making 892 since January 1st, were reported.
Fifteen of the cases were fatal. There were
two European cases—one the case of a lad, of
12, at the Government Civil Hospital, and the
other from the s.s. *Heithdene* in port.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

American (*City of Peking*) 30th inst.
French (*Annam*) 31st inst.
Indian (*Namsang*) 2nd prox.
American (*Doric*) 4th prox.
Australian (*Chingtu*) 5th prox.
German (*Preussen*) 13th prox.
American (*Nippon Maru*) 13th prox.

The B. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Tremont* arrived at
Yokohama to-day.

The B. T. B. Co.'s s.s. *Pleiades* sailed from
Yokohama for Victoria and Tacoma, on 27th
inst.

The N. G. I. s.s. *Capri* left Singapore for this
port to-day, and may be expected here on 4th
prox.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. *Namsang* from Calcutta
and the Straits left Singapore for this port on
26th inst. p.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tamba Maru* (European
Line) left Singapore for this port on 27th inst.
p.m., and is expected to arrive here on 2nd prox.

The N. D. L. s.s. *Nürnberg* from Hamburg
left Singapore for this port 27th inst., at noon,
and may be expected here 2nd prox., at day-
light.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

The Albanian Revolt.

LONDON, 26th May.

The Albanians have released the Sultan's mission.

Mr. Chamberlain's Fiscal Policy.

The Opposition intend to call attention to Mr. Chamberlain's declaration of fiscal policy, pressing Mr. Balfour to say whether he and his colleagues share Mr. Chamberlain's views; and if, as it appears, Mr. Chamberlain spoke for the Government, Sir Henry Hamer will probably ask for an opportunity for discussing the whole question in the House.

LATER.

Mr. Chamberlain's reply to the Liberals is very lengthy. It says that no preferential trade proposals have been made to the Colonies and that there have been no recent negotiations on the subject.

The Antarctic Expedition.

Mr. Balfour in reply to questions urging the Government to assist in relieving the *Discovery*, ice-bound in the Antarctic, said the Government was prepared to contribute but he strongly censured the Royal Geographical Society for not counting the cost when equipping such an expedition.

HONGKONG ARMY RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL SHOOTING.

The third rifle meeting of the Hongkong Army Rifle Association took place at the Kowloon Ranges from the 11th to the 16th inst. During a few intervals due to bad weather, a lengthy programme was shot off successfully.

Separate competitions were arranged for European and Indian troops and in both cases, prizes were allotted for young soldiers. The conditions were drawn up so as to discourage pot-hunting. A novel feature in an army meeting at this station was the competitive competition at iron targets representing an opposing team, which thus introduced a personal element wanting in the ordinary target practice.

Lady Gascoigne was prevented by illness from presenting the prizes, and the weather on the 18th May was too much for the ladies, but His Excellency Sir William Gascoigne kindly made the distribution.

The championship of the European troops was won by Sgt. Thornhill, R.E., with a score of 123 at four ranges, after a tie with Lieut. D. Radcliffe, 14th Bombay Infantry. The championship of the native troops, whose shooting was remarkably good, was won by Havildar Bakir Hussain, with a score of 100 at three ranges.

Handsome prizes were given by Sir W. Gascoigne, Col. Brown, C.R.E., Major Hamilton, C.S.O., Major Hon. H. W. Trefusis, A.D.C., and Major Tudor, R.E., while a special prize fund was liberally subscribed to by other officers. The following were the scores made by the European troops:—

Championship Series.—Event No. 1, Range 200 Yards.—Col. Sgt. Randall, 1st S.F., 32, 30; Sapper Jacques, R.E., 31, 29; S. Sgt. McSweney, R.E., 31, 28; Lieut. Bingay, R.E., 31, 27.

Event No. 2, Range 500 Yards.—Lieut. Bingay, R.E., 35, 30; Major Baker Brown, R.E., 34, 29; Mr. Horley, A.S.C., 34, 28; Sgt. Thornhill, R.E., 32, 27.

Event No. 3, Range 600 Yards.—Lieut. Radcliffe, 14th Bn., 33, 30; Sgt. Rowe, R.E., 31, 29; Sgt. Bedford, 1st S.F., 30, 28; Capt. Britten, 10th Bn., 30, 27.

Event No. 4, Range 800 Yards.—Sgt. Thornhill, R.E., 34, 30; Corp. Bristol, 1st S.F., 32, 29; Col. Sgt. Randall, 1st S.F., 31, 28; Major Baker Brown, R.E., 29, 27.

Event No. 5, Aggregate of 1, 2, 3 and 4.—First Prize Silver Bowl, presented by Colonel Brown, C.R.E.; Second Prize Silver Cup, presented by H.E. the G.O.C.; Third Prize, Silver Cup, presented by H.E. the G.O.C.—1. Lieut. Radcliffe, 14th Bn., 123; 2. Sgt. Thornhill, R.E., 123; Sapper Jacques, R.E., 115.

Sgt. Thornhill and Lieut. Radcliffe tied for championship. The former making the highest score at 80 yards, holds the Cup and Badge for the year.

Rifle Series.—Event No. 6 Range 200 yards.—Class A.—Major Baker Brown, R.E., 30, 25; Lieut. Radcliffe, 14th Bn., 30, 24.

Class B.—Corp. Angus, R.E., 33, 25; S. Sgt. Marsh, R.E., 32, 24; Corp. Chuter, R.E., 31, 24.

Class C.—Sapper McEwen, R.E., 32, 25; Sapper Robertson, R.E., 31, 24; Pte. Swinscoe, 1st S.F., 30, 24.

Event No. 7, Range 500 yards.—Class A.—Lieut. Pukken, I.M.S., 34, 25; Lieut. Radcliffe, 14th Bn., 30, 24.

Class B.—Corp. Angus, R.E., 33, 25; S. Sgt. Marsh, R.E., 32, 24; Corp. Chuter, R.E., 31, 24.

Class C.—Sapper McEwen, R.E., 30, 25; Pte. Street, 1st S.F., 28, 24; Sapper Robertson, R.E., 28, 24.

Event No. 8, Range 600 Yards.—Class A.—Lieut. Pullen, I.M.S., 32, 25; Lieut. Bingay, R.E., 27, 24.

Class B.—Col. Sgt. Randall, 1st S.F., 31, 25; Sgt. Watson, 1st S.F., 27, 24; S. Sgt. S. S. S. S.

Class C.—Sapper McEwen, R.E., 30, 25; L. Cpl. Barton, 1st S.F., 29, 24; Sapper Robertson, R.E., 29, 24.

Event No. 9.—Aggregate of 9, 7 and 8.—First prize, Cigarette case; second, Silver Bowl presented by Major the Hon. H. W. Trefusis, A.D.C.; sixth, Cigar Case; seventh, Silver Tumbler.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

Class A.—Lieut. Pullen, I.M.S., 33.
Class B.—1. Col. Sgt. Randall, 1st S.F., 31; 2. Corp. Angus, R.E., 31; 3. Mr. Horley, A.S.C., 34.

Class C.—1. Sapper McEwen, R.E., 30; 2. Sapper Robertson, R.E., 33; 3. Pte. Swinscoe, 1st S.F., 28.

Carbine Competition.—Event No. 10, Range 200 Yards.—Class B.—S. Sgt. Urquhart, R.E., 26, 25; Ar. Sgt. Avenell, 1st S.F., 25, 24.

Class C.—Gunn. Kenney, R.G.A., 20, 25; Gunn. Walsh, R.G.A., 20, 24.

Event No. 11, Range 500 Yards.—Class B.—Mr. G. Easton, R.G.A., 20, 25; Ar. Sgt. Avenell, 1st S.F., 19, 22.

Class C.—Gunn. Kenney, R.G.A., 23, 25; A. Br. Graythorne, R.G.A., 18, 24.

No. 12, Range 800 Yards.—Class B.—S. Sgt. Urquhart, R.E., 23, 24; Ar. Sgt. Avenell, 1st S.F., 16, 22.

Class C.—A. Br. Earles, R.G.A., 11, 25; Gunn. Brown, R.G.A., 9, 24.

Event No. 13, Aggregate of 10, 11, and 12. First prize, Cigarette Case; second, case of pipes.

Class B.—1. S. Sgt. Urquhart, R.E., 64.
Class C.—1. Gunn. Kenney, R.G.A., 50.

YOUNG SOLDIERS' SERIES.—Event No. 14, Range 200 Yards.—Sapper Tennant, R.E., 34, 33; L. Cpl. Bowditch, 1st S.F., 30, 29; Sapper Marshall, R.E., 29, 28.

No. 15, Range 500 Yards.—Sapper Tennant, R.E., 32, 26; Sapper Grimsey, R.E., 30, 25.

No. 16, Range 600 Yards.—Pte. Makin 1st S.F., 29, 25; Sapper Tennant, R.E., 27, 23.

Event No. 17, Aggregate of 14, 15 and 16.—First Prize, Tobacco Box, presented by Major Tudor, R.E.; Second, Pair of Ash Trays, Sapper Tennant, R.E., 90; Sapper Grimsey, R.E., 72.

TEAM COMPETITIONS.—Hongkong Company, R.E., 16—13, 22; 23th Company, R.E., 16—11, 21.

E. Company, 1st Sherwood Foresters, 13, 27; 25th Company, R.E., 12, 26.

H. Company, 1st Sherwood Foresters, 35; Hongkong Company, R.E. (L. Cpl. Willis), 25; Hongkong Company, R.E., Corp. Mills, 15.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

A POSTAL COMPLAINT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." Sir.—As the accompanying cut from the *Kobe Chronicle* of 14th inst. should prove of interest to the supervisors of the Hongkong Post Office, I send it to you for reproduction.—Yours, faithfully,

A SUFFERER.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1903.

ENCLOSURE.

"On Tuesday (21st inst.) we received Hongkong papers of the 21st ult., which had taken exactly a fortnight to reach Kobe. Where they had been lying mean while we do not know; but it is surprising that the Hongkong Post Office does not make some inquiries as to the time the various steamers are likely to take on the voyage to Japan before placing the mail on board."

ARMED ROBBERY IN PRAYA EAST.

Between the hours of 9.30 and 10.30 last evening, No. 79 Praya East was entered by a gang of robbers fully armed with revolvers, cutlasses, and Chinese swords. They managed to effect an entrance by breaking open the back door, which is in a lane, and then threatened the inmates with instant death if they offered any resistance. After gagging and securing the inmates they looted the place and carried away clothing, cash, and jewelry to the value, it is said, of about \$200. It seemed that the inmates were so scared by the presence of the cut-throats that they did not stir from their place until towards the early hours of the morning when they informed the police. So far no arrests have been made.

S.S. "PEMBROKESHIRE" RE-FOATED.

We understand that a private wire was received in the Colony to-day announcing that the *Shire liner Pembroke*, which has been badly ashore on the Saddles, has been successfully re-floated. According to advices from Shanghai the vessel will be do ked at the northern port.

BALES AFLOAT IN THE HARBOUR.

The sampan fraternity had a hot time this morning when some 150 bales of cotton goods got afloat in the harbour and drifted hither and thither much to the delight of those in search of a job. It appears that the *s.s. Telus*, which arrived from Singapore yesterday with a general cargo, was discharging into junks, and one of the crafts being overlaid about 150 bales toppled over into the water and, with a strong tide running, were soon carried about the harbour.

NEW TIMBER COMPANY IN HONGKONG.

We are in receipt of information to the effect that a company, confined principally to Chinese, has been formed in Hongkong, with a capital of \$500,000, for the purchase of about five thousand acres of land from the North Borneo Company. The object of the company is to utilize the forests on the land and bring the trade to Hongkong. A director of the company left yesterday morning, per the German mail, for Sandakan *via* Singapore.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, 26th May.

THE GAGE STREET MURDER.

Your reports of perhaps the most interesting case of the Hongkong May Sessions, the trial of Lau Chiu for the wilful murder of Yeung Kui Wan, at Gage Street, has elicited marked attention from certain of the Chinese some of whom are of good rank, and have had it translated. I have endeavoured to get information from reliable sources, and have been told that the man who really fired the fatal shots was a certain Li in the employ of Li Ka Cheok. When the murder had been committed the parties concerned returned to Canton where a misunderstanding arose between Li Ka Cheok and his hirelings which resulted in the death of the man Li, his employer having been successful in having a letter placed on his person stating that he was implicated in the rebellion. On the strength of this letter Li was beheaded, but before his death he asked his wife and brother to give information to the Hongkong authorities, and it was mainly through the persons, although they did not figure in the trial, that one of the murderers has been brought to book. Li Ka Cheok is a mandarin of the fifth rank.

It will be remembered that I reported some time ago certain money was handed to three lieutenants for the death of a certain reformer in Kowloon. I am now informed that this victim's name was Hung Ching Fok, head of the projected rebellion of last China New Year, and that \$30,000 was paid for his proven death and that this Li Ka Cheok was also the main mover in the matter.

THE FAMINE IN KWANGSI.

(From a Correspondent.)

Writing from the famine-stricken districts a correspondent informs us that at Kwai Peng, some two days out from Wuchow, the work of relieving the sufferers has been in progress for several months, and that the gentry were heartily co-operating with the missionaries while the Magistrate was also much interested. Some 300 piculs of rice were being used each week and the gentry were getting rid of almost as much. However, the funds of the former are practically exhausted. On the 17th inst. the Governor of Hongkong telegraphed to his representative, Mr. Fletcher, to take a missionary and go to Kwai Un and open relief work. The following day 550 piculs of rice left Wuchow. In the city the gentry have been selling cheap rice and giving congee to the very poor. In a district 30 miles south of the city the famine is very bad indeed. Mr. Fletcher has arranged to live at Kwai Un and attend to the forwarding of rice, which must be transhipped to small boats, while Mr. H. K. Shumker will reside at Kwai Hu and manage rice distribution though every three days he will proceed to the market town of Mei Kak, some nine miles to the south. Some 250 piculs of rice will be used each week. Our correspondent further informs us that he has not seen any sign of rebellion either at Kwai Hu or in Kwai Ping. The people do not resort to unlawful means to get provisions notwithstanding the fact that the rice shops seem to have plenty of rice, which they hold at a price beyond the means of the poor. In one market it has been selling for 30 cents per catty. In the north-western part of the district the people have been very lawless, and at Nanning no one dares to venture outside of the walled city without a guard.

SANDAKAN NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SANDAKAN, 22nd May.

The North Borneo Trading Co., Ltd., are carrying out their intentions of building a ship-way, the first sleeper of which was placed in position on the 14th inst. by Mrs. Cook in the presence of others.

The *Dulu* one of the old *Star* ferry boats arrived here from Hongkong on the 7th inst. after an uneventful passage.

The Chinese have expressed dissatisfaction with the break in the regular running maintained by Messrs. Behn Meyer & Co. up to the time of the mishap to the *Tringuan*, and, as a result, the *Nam Yong* on her arrival here from Singapore on the 13th inst. discharged over 2,000 packages, a record for any outside steamer.

Victoria Day will be celebrated here on the 25th, and a Grand Parade and other things are listed, an account of which I will send you in my next.

The weather has at last broken and we had a fairly heavy shower on the 18th inst. and another yesterday. Native reports point to a second deluge when the S. W. monsoon really sets in.

It is time that we had rain, jungle fires have been very numerous lately and required a large force to subdue them.

H.E. the Governor has just returned from Singapore; it is rumoured that his visit there was connected with the Resident Generalship of the Straits Settlements.

STARVATION OR SMUGGLING.

The *British North Borneo Herald* says that as the result of correspondence with the American Government trade is now permitted between the port of Sandakan and Cagayan Sulu subject only to the British North Borneo Customs regulations. The American authorities have recognized the peculiar position of this isolated island as regards trade, Sandakan being the only place where the natives can buy or sell goods. To stop this trade would cause serious trouble at present in the Jolo group. The natives having no outlet for their produce would starve or be forced into smuggling. The trade is chiefly in coconuts, mats, fowls and beche de mer exchanged for rice and manufactured goods.

ACCIDENT TO THE TOW-BOAT "ROCKET."

On Saturday morning as the tow boat *Rocket* was towing two Chinese junks opposite the Cosmopolitan Dock, at Shanghai, her boiler blew up. The engineer was severely burnt, and four men were taken to the hospital, but all are expected to recover. Two men, who were the sons of one of the injured men now in hospital, were drowned. The *Rocket* is now in the International dock, where it is expected her damages will be repaired in a few days.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

The "silver question" is always with us. Some most interesting figures are given in a recent number of the *Financier*, which states that the radically unfortunate position of the white metal is due to the fact that production persists in growing, and the metal being overplentiful, it generally needs only a slight recovery in prices to bring idle mines into work again. Further, the proportion of silver turned out as a by-product of lead and other metals is constantly growing, and its production is encouraged because on any basis of market prices it gives a profit to the mine. The world's production last year is estimated at 178,866,000 ounces, as compared with a previous record of 174,998,000 ounces for 1901; 172,838,000 ounces for 1902; and 167,224,000 ounces for 1899. In twelve years the yield has gone up by 41,000,000 ounces, and with nation after nation taking to the full or the modified gold standard, it is certain that the requirements have not increased at anything like this rate, allowing for an increased consumption in the arts and commerce—not an important factor, any way. The United States has again got ahead of Mexico as the chief contributor, its total for last year being \$8,560,000 ounces, which is more than in any year since 1896. The Mexican figure is 38,000 ounces against a previous best of 37,650 ounces for 1901 and 37,437,000 ounces for 1902. Mexico has contributed 22,000,000 ounces in the past twelve years, Australia 3,000,000 ounces, and other countries 15,000,000 ounces: the American total having been practically stationary. It is known, in fact, that America is only prevented by low prices from putting some millions of ounces per annum steadily on to its total, and the same may be said of Mexico, while it is notorious that the contributions of the other countries could be increased in as rapid a rate proportionately as those of the two leading producers. In these circumstances there is clearly no hope of a rise to the prices of even five years ago; for the world has not sufficient use for the metal smelted to absorb the steadily increasing supply. The fact must not be forgotten in connection with the endeavours of China and Mexico, jointly with the States, to maintain the price at a fair figure. The mere possibility of some united action helps to strengthen prices.

NEW JAPANESE INDUSTRY.

It is, perhaps, hardly recognised how formidable a competitor Japan is becoming to the Continental nations in supplying some of the items of ladies' daily demands. It is now several years since a great London firm introduced the luxuriously soft and comfortable quilted dressing gowns and jackets. Lutin is more and more relying upon Japan for the straw plaits and braids which go to make the smart and inexpensive hats and toques now appearing in the milliners' windows and this year a stride forward has been made in sending over what are technically known as "chip fancies," which have hitherto been almost exclusively supplied by Italy. And now there is a new branch of enterprise to be noted with regard to the more dainty features of table linen, and Japan is prepared to give us lunch, sideboard, and afternoon-tea cloths, serviettes, and the like with the ultra-fashionable adornment of drawn-thread work in the most charming variety.

Hitherto the work has been done in the native cotton cloth and the first essential towards bringing it into accordance with Western table requirements was to supply instead the finest Irish flax linen. This delf feminine fingers of the Japanese workers found to be admirably suited to their peculiar methods; and upon it they are executing work that not only rivals the finest Sicilian examples in this direction, but has characteristics entirely its own. They employ several forms of stitch quite unknown in Europe, and in the fineness of their effect obtain results approaching that of pillow lace. Everyone is familiar with the Tenerife linen work, and the outlines of this are often reproduced in that of Japan, but critics are inclined to prefer the intricate geometrical and scroll devices that seem to be indigenous. Although so aerial and delicate in appearance, the work washes well provided that reasonable care is exercised, and is indeed sent into this country washed and ready for immediate use.

Perhaps, to the ordinary buyer, the greatest recommendation of these charming accessories could have their cheapness as compared with what the price would be of items of European origin on which a tenth part of the patient hand labour had been expended. For 15s. or even less at a retail firm it is possible to buy a tea-cloth or centre-slip with delightful and even elaborate ornamentation of this kind at the ends or corner, and long lattice-like open worked hem stitching. Especially dainty are tiny napkins for afternoon tea, which are a real boon when hot buttered cakes are served. At present the length of time that must elapse between sending an order from this country and receiving the finished work has militated against utilising it for dress trimmings, but should the present season witness, as is expected, an unexhausted popularity for Belfast linen gowns, it is probable that something of the kind may be attempted for next year's wear.—*Daily Telegraph*.

THE SITUATION IN YUNNAN.

What the Chinese Government seems to be in constant fear of are foreign aggression and internal disturbance, says the *Sin Wan Pao*. Because of its great fear of foreign aggression, and of its extreme anxiety to ward it off, the Chinese Government dares not refuse openly when unreasonable demands are made upon it by a foreign power; gives an equivocal reply when a friendly power warns it against playing into the hands of an aggressive power; and does all it can to pacify the foreigners when outrages are committed by its subjects upon them or upon missionaries. But in spite of all this, foreign aggression is waxing fiercer every day. And why? Simply because the method that it employs to ward off that aggression is not a right one.

Again, because of its great fear of internal disturbances, and of its extreme anxiety to suppress them, the Chinese Government enlists new troops and raises new funds, when troubles break out in Chihli, in Sze-chuen and in Kwangsi. But scarcely have the troubles in one place been put down, when fresh troubles break out in another place. And why? Simply because the method that it employs to suppress these troubles is not a right one.

The troubles in Sze-chuen have apparently come to an end; the insurrection in Kwangsi has also been reported to the Throne as having been practically suppressed; and the Government is greatly delighted at the prospect that empire will reign once more throughout the Empire. But to its great grief, it has now received the startling intelligence from the Viceroy of Yunnan that disturbances have broken out in the prefecture of Linanfu, resulting in the capture of two places, viz., Chien-chiu Chuang and the prefectural city of Linanfu by the rioters. Both these two places are very important and are situated near the frontier between Yunnan and French Indo-China. Linanfu is a place where the proposed railway from Annam to Yunnan is to pass, and is only about 250 li distant from the Treaty Port of Mengtze. This place is so near French territory that the troubles may easily spread into it, thereby France will have a good excuse to pour troops into the province, even if all the French merchants and missionaries now in the province are safe.

Linanfu is a very important city in the province and is defended by a large garrison force under the command of the Major General. Chien-chiu Chuang is also a very important place in the prefecture of Linanfu, and is governed by a sub-Prefect. The disturbances must be of a very serious nature, since such important places as these have fallen into the hands of the peace-breakers. It is particularly unfortunate that such internal troubles are created in the south at the present moment when the Chinese Government is greatly embarrassed by Russian aggression in the north.

The Provincial Judge, Liu Chun-lin, has been ordered by Imperial Decree to command the Imperial troops that are employed in the work of pacification, and it is very probable that the disturbances will be brought to a speedy end, as Liu has been in Yunnan for many years, and must have known the temper of the people so well that he will not find it difficult to deal with the situation. But the mere suppression of the disturbances will not ensure perpetual peace. The Chinese Government must go to the very root of the evil and apply the remedy there. So long as the welfare of the people is neglected by the Government and they are not properly educated and properly governed, it is in vain for the Government to see peace perpetually established, no matter how severe the measures employed in suppressing the disturbances may be.

The *Universal Gazette* again states that the Prefect of Linanfu has been murdered by insurgents. This prefecture is on the border of the provinces and adjoins French Annam, therefore this disturbance holds important relations with our intercourse with France. The southern portion of Yunnan has long been filled with numerous robbers and thieves, therefore this climax is not unexpected.

STEAMSHIP SPEEDS.

THE MAXIMUM OF AN OCEAN GOING LINER.

The new N. D. L. steamer *Kaiser Wilhelm II* arrived at New York from Europe on the evening of April 21, after a record maiden voyage during which she covered 3,160 miles at an average speed of 22.10 knots. Among her passengers was the President of the North German Lloyd's Company, who expressed his belief that the vessel's speed is the greatest that can be attained by ocean-going liners. She consumed 650 tons of coal daily during the run. According to a Reuter's message the *New York Herald* printed a wireless from the *Kaiser Wilhelm II*, sent off when the vessel was abeam of Fire Island. In it the president of the line said it would require 65,000 horsepower to maintain an average speed of 24 to 24½ knots, and nearly 10,000 horse-power for a sustained speed of 25 knots. The cost of such a vessel and the tremendous expense of operating would make such construction prohibitive. The horse-power developed by the *Kaiser Wilhelm II* was 42,000.

MACAO HOTEL

(Late HING KEE HOTEL).

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WM. FARMER, Proprietor.

E. G. JORDAN, Manager.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

The tightness of the money market, especially in Shanghai, is making itself felt very much here in depressing stocks, the only purchases being made by small investors. The recent rise in INDO-CHINAS could not be sustained; from \$10 the rate has receded to \$107 sellers. CANTON INSURANCE shares have risen and are wanted at \$175, after small business at the rate. Business is again reported in HONGKONG LANDS at \$170. CHINA SUGARS, upon the opening of the market, were wanted at \$104, while at an advance of \$1 shares were said to be procurable. With the resumption of business in the afternoon, for good reason, inquiry set in again and now there are buyers at \$107. RAUBS have dropped and can be had at \$9, market closing weak at this rate. DOCKS were done at \$217 for July delivery and \$213.50 cash.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer1/8
" Bank Bills, on demand1/8 1/16
" Credits, 4 months' sight1/8 1/16
ON BERLIN, (demand)M.1.71
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand2.10
" Credits, 4 months' sight2.14
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand40 1/2
" Credits, 30 days' sight41 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer124 1/2
" On demand124 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer7 1/2
" Private 30 days' sightnom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.8 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate\$11.90
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael61.70
Bar Silver24 1/2

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
MALWA NEW@ \$500/920
" LAST YEAR@ 960/980
" OLDEST@ 1,040/1,080
PATNA NEW@ 1,025
" OLD@ 1,025
BENARES NEW@ 1,035
" OLD@ 1,035
PERSIAN (PAPER)@ 780

To-day's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING OF ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 2nd June, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 28th May, 1903. [640e]

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTZE"	On 4th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 9th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 15th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 20th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 27th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 3rd July.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 6th June.
LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 20th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"ANTENOR"	On 23rd June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"ALCINOUS"	On 27th July.
LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 14th July.
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Hongkong, 21st May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 27th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 26th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 27th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 20th May, 1903.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

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Hongkong, 26th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 19th May, 1903.

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THE Steamship

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Hongkong, 27th May, 1903.

Intimation.

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Annam	Singapore	M. M. Co.	May 31
Namsang	Singapore	S. & Co.	June 2
Nürnberg	Singapore	S. & Co.	June 2
Indramaha	Singapore	P. & Co.	June 3
Doric	Singapore	P. M. Co.	June 4
Capri	Singapore	C. & Co.	June 4
Chingta	Sydney	B. & S.	June 5
Preussen	Genoa	M. & Co.	June 13
Nippon Maru	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	June 13

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Shantung* from Foochow:—Fresh N.E. wind, all along the Formosa Channel.

Str. *Kwangse* from Chefoo:—Light N.E. winds with heavy rain from Tumbabout to port.

Str. *Chumshun* from Saigon:—Dull overcast with light Ely wind, and slight S.E. swell throughout.

Str. *Hong Kai* from Bangkok:—In the South fair weather, light S.W. winds, coming North heavy rains for a few days, outside Hongkong fresh N.E. and E. winds.

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward:—8th May—*Annam*, *Tamba Maru*, *Budnia*, 12th May—*Seneca*, *Glenloch*, *Yang Tze*, *Benvenue*, *Kish*, 16th May—*Valdemar*, *Telamacha*, *Dunbar*, *Ernest Simons*, *Tenhai*, *Crylon*, 19th May—*Ambria*, 22nd May—*Prometheus*, *Tungshing*, *Sanki Maru*, *Lena*, 27th May—*Benledi*, *Preussen*, *Vicinia*, *Lena*, *Wurzburg*.

Homeward:—8th May—*Onopack*, *Macduff*, 19th May—*Glaucus*, *Inaba Maru*, *Jana*, 22nd May—*Konigsberg*, *Kiautschou*.

Arrivals at Home:—6th May—*Kintuck*, *Sachsen*, 19th May—*Clanfinnan*, *Bamberg*, *Andalucia*, 27th May—*Toukin*.

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.

Aki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,095, Ekstrand, 24th May, Seattle, U.S.A. and Shanghai 21st May, Flour and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Brunhilde, Ger. s.s., 872, Selck, 27th May, Chittagong 16th May, Sugar.—S. W. & Co.

Cambodge, Fr. s.s., 2,355, Declercq, 27th May, Haiphong 23th May, Rice.—M. & Co.

Cassius, Ger. s.s., 1,469, Bahren, 27th May, Whitu 20th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Catherine Apat, Br. s.s., 1,730, Stewart, 25th May, Calcutta 10th May, Penang and Singapore 19th, Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.

China, Ger. s.s., 1,113, Krubbe, 25th May, Saigon 21st May, Gen.—E. A. T. Co.

Chwanshan, Br. s.s., 1,281, Jenkins, 27th May, Saigon 21st May, Rice and Meal.—B. & Co.

Decima, Ger. s.s., 794, Schliakier, 25th May, Samoa Island 1st May, Ballast.—S. W. & Co.

Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, Archibald, 26th May, Vancouver, B.C. 5th May, and Shanghai 24th, Maits and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Formosa, Br. s.s., 647, Evans, 26th May, Amoy 24th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hailan, Br. s.s., 377, Andersen, 27th May, Hoihow 25th May, Gen.—A. R. M.

Haimun, Br. s.s., 696, Mutton, 27th May, Foonchow 24th May, Amoy 25th, and Swatow 26th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Heathdene, Br. s.s., 2,305, Milburne, 27th May, Moji 21st May, Conl.—Order.

Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,447, Filmer, 20th May, San Francisco 22nd Apr, via Honolulu 29th, Yokohama 12th May, Kobe 14th, Nagasaki 15th, and Shanghai 17th, Maits and Gen.—P. M. S. Co.

Hong Moh, Br. s.s., 2,555, Stach, 19th May, Penang and Singapore 11th May, Gen.—Joo Teck Seng.

Huron, Br. s.s., 1,989, Walsh, 26th May, Moji 20th May, Coals.—M. B. K.

Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 621, Ohlsen, 24th May, Hoihow 22nd May, Gen.—J. & Co.

Kong Beng, Ger. s.s., 562, Ziegenbein, 24th May, Bangkok 17th May, Gen.—H. & S.

Koun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,783, Minamikawa, 26th May, Kobe 21st May, Coal and Gen.—Kong Chong.

Kunsang, Br. s.s., 2,078, Butler, 24th May, Singapore 14th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Madeleine Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Sanders, 23rd May, Chefoo 17th May, Gen.—A. R. & Co.

Marburg, Ger. s.s., 3,887, Stern, 27th May, Tsingtau 22nd May, Coal.—S. & Co.

Marie Tebsen, Ger. s.s., 1,771, Bendixen, 20th May, Moji 15th May, Coal.—J. & Co.

M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 7,200, Berndt, 21st May, Saigon 19th May, Rice.—J. & Co.

Perla, Br. s.s., 1,928, McGinty, 26th May, Canton 24th May, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

San Joaquin, Am. s.s., 237, Galdiez, 26th Apr, from Apari, Ballast.—Order.

Shawmut, Am. s.s., 6,195, Smith, 26th May, Manila 23rd May, Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.

Taurus, Nor. s.s., 1,367, Seeborg, 24th May, Moji 17th May, Coal.—C. & Co.

Tyr, Nor. s.s., 1,418, Danielson, 27th May, Canton 27th May, Coal.—E. A. T. Co.

Verona, Ger. s.s., 3,036, Epstein, 25th May, Moji 20th May, Coal.—M. B. K.

Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 25th May, Manila 23rd May, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessel	From	Agents	Due
Tayabas	Singapore	P. M. Co.	May 30
Jacob Diederichsen	Singapore	M. M. Co.	May 31
Formosa	Singapore	S. & Co.	June 2
Empress of China	Singapore	P. & Co.	June 3
Shantung	Singapore	P. M. Co.	June 4
Canton River	Singapore	P. M. Co.	June 4
San Joaquin	Singapore	P. M. Co.	June 4
Hongkong Maru	Singapore	C. & Co.	June 4
Marie Jensen	Singapore	C. & Co.	June 4
Vale of Duon	Singapore	C. & Co.	June 4
M. Struve	Singapore	C. & Co.	June 4

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A Mail will close for:—

Pakhoi—Per *Hailan*, 29th inst., 9 A.M.
Canton—Per *Falshun*, 29th inst., 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Haimun*, 29th inst., 10 A.M.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Macduff*, 29th inst., 11 A.M.
Jesselton, Kudat and Sandakan—Per *Borneo*, 29th inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per *Heungshun*, 29th inst., 12.15 P.M.
Kobe—Per *Perla*, 29th inst., 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Hongkong*, 29th inst., 4 P.M.

Nantao—Per *Toulin*, 29th inst., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Haimun*, 29th inst., 5 P.M.
Manila—Per *Zafiro*, 30th inst., 9 A.M.

Haiphong—Per *Hailan*, 30th inst., 9 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Kunsang*, 30th inst., 10 A.M.

Shanghai and Tientsin—Per *Kwangse*, 30th inst., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Hongkong Maru*, 30th inst., 11 A.M.

Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (R.C.) and Tacoma—Per *Shawmut*, 30th inst., 11 A.M.
Singapore and Rangoon—Per *Meipomene*, 30th inst., 3 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Foonchow—Per *Hailan*, 30th inst., 5 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per *Tamsui*, 1st June, 9 A.M.

Penang, India, via Tuticorin—Per *Salazie*, 2nd June, 9 A.M.
Manila—Per *Rohilla Maru*, 2nd June, 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle—Per *Aki Maru*, 2nd June, 3 P.M.
Yokohama—Per *Kwangse*, 2nd June, 4 P.M.

Singapore, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of China*, 3rd June, 11 A.M.

Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Changsha*, 3rd June, 3 P.M.

Manila—Per *Sungkong*, 3rd June, 3 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Catherine Apat*, 4th June, 11 A.M.

Manila—Per *Rubi*, 6th June, 9 A.M.
Europe, India, via Tuticorin—Per *Valletta*, 6th June, 11 A.M.

Kobe—Per *Chingta*, 10th June, 3 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per *Copri*, 11th June, 10 A.M.

Kowloon, India, via Tuticorin—Per *Stuttgart*, 11th June, 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of India*, 24th June, 11 A.M.

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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 28th at 11.50 a.m. The barometer has fallen over N. China, owing to the existence of a depression over Manchuria.

Pressure is highest to the SE. of Japan. Gradients slight with moderate SE. and E. winds on the China coast and over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—light E. to SE. winds; fine.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER REPORT.

On date at	On date at
Barometer	29.99
Temperature	70
Humidity	84
Rainfall	0.27

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

May 28th, 1903, a.m.

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" Leg—Yeung Pak 22

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 20

" Pigs' Chittlings—Chia cheong 17

" Feet—Chi Kerk 12

" Head—Chi Tau 12

" Heart—Chi Sum 14

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu 14

" Liver—Chi Kon 12

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